

THIRTEENTH'S MEN IN GOOD CONDITION

HEALTHIEST AND HEARTIEST REGIMENT IN CAMP.

At Inspection on Saturday Major Keller Made a Close Scrutiny of the Tents and Found, Much to His Satisfaction, That the Men Are Taking Excellent Care of Their Quarters—Colonel Courten's Thoughtful Act—Sergeant Chester D. Smith Is Seriously Ill.

Special to The Scranton Tribune. Camp George G. Meade, Nov. 6.—Little of importance took place in the Thirteenth yesterday. At 9 o'clock a. m. the different companies fell in for inspection by the company commanders, and everything presented a very creditable appearance. The men looked their best, and their arms and equipments were in first-class condition. Immediately after, Surgeon Major Keller went from street to street and carefully scrutinized the tents, and especially under the bunks. After having made his tour of inspection he informed The Tribune correspondent that he was entirely satisfied with the conditions of the camp. The men are active and healthy, the interior of the tents are clean and in every particular, and the kitchen models of tidiness. Both he and the company commanders were more than pleased. As a matter of fact, owing to the methods used and to the constant vigilance of those in authority, the boys have become so trained that they take no small amount of pride in their personal appearance, and in the cleanliness of their quarters, the kitchens, the bunks and the streets. As a result, the Thirteenth's, as a rule, is a model camp.

There is no doubt that good effects follow both directly and indirectly from this system of constant espionage. The health of the men is the best proof, and though several may report at the hospital in the morning at sick call, nothing is thought of this, as the patients are in most cases suffering from the lightest colds, or some such slight malady, and can attend to the regular routine of military duty.

HEALTHIEST TROOPS IN THE STATE.

Only two beds are now occupied in the regimental hospital, and even those cases are not serious. The general health of the regiment is now excellent. The sick men have nearly all returned, and the members of the Thirteenth are now perhaps the healthiest and the hardest body of troops at Camp Meade.

One serious case has developed within the past few days—that of Sergeant Chester D. Smith of Company B, who is suffering from an attack of pneumonia. About two weeks ago Sergeant Smith was home on furlough, and when leaving camp he was not in the very best condition, physically. He returned little improved, but, nevertheless, reported for duty at once. He had on his tour of guard and soon afterwards was taken sick. It was then found, on examination, that he had pneumonia. The case was quickly attended to, and everything possible is now being done for the patient.

Major Keller stated this morning that while pneumonia is usually considered a disease of which one can not be too careful or too confident, Sergeant Smith's case has not developed any features which should cause any seri-

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